

To the Democrats of Missouri:

It is with the deepest regret that I announce that on account of the ill health of my mother and the duties I owe her in her declining years, I cannot make the race for State Auditor, but must withdraw my name from any further consideration at this time.

I regret this necessity only for the sake of my friends who have so loyally advocated my candidacy, but I can now only tender them my sincere thanks and assure them that in me they have a friend who will ever be loyal as a brother, and that I shall continue, as I always have, in the forefront for democratic success.

SAM J. McMISS.

Buchanan, Mo., June 1, 1916.

H. E. Alexander Announces for State Senator

Hon. H. E. Alexander of Cape Girardeau has filed his declaration with the secretary of state and made his announcement as a candidate for state senator from this, the Twenty-first district.

As he is not so well acquainted with the voters of this county, a brief summary of his activities will perhaps be of interest to those who are called upon to decide who will be the nominee.

Mr. Alexander is thirty-six years old, and was born and reared in Cape Girardeau county. He attended the public school at Leemon, from which he went to the Cape Normal, Missouri University and then to the University of Texas, in which institution he completed the law course and got his degree in the year of 1902. Since that time he has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession. He is a member of the Presbyterian church and of several benevolent and fraternal organizations. During his fourteen years of active service in Cape Girardeau county he has been twice elected prosecuting attorney. The fact that each time he was elected he had to overcome majorities ranging from 750 to 850 votes, and that in each instance he had about 150 majority, is sufficient evidence of his ability and popularity. Besides holding the office of prosecuting attorney, he was elected city judge of Cape Girardeau which position he held for two terms.

At a meeting held at Cape Girardeau last fall which was attended by prominent democrats from all Southeast Missouri for the purpose of organizing a Southeast Missouri democratic club, Mr. Alexander was selected without opposition as president of the organization. Those present felt that the honor was due him because of his activity as one of the leading figures in managing and carrying to a successful finish one of the biggest political rallies ever held in the state, and because of his well-known organizing ability.

At the state convention in St. Joseph last March he was chosen as one of the presidential electors of this congressional district.

This district is composed of the counties of Bollinger, Butler, Carter, Cape Girardeau, Dunklin, Ripley and Wayne. Next to Dunklin, Cape Girardeau casts the biggest democratic vote of any county in the district, yet Cape county has not furnished the nominee for the district since 1882, when R. B. Oliver was elected.

In H. E. Alexander the democrats feel that they have a candidate who, if nominated, will add strength to the ticket in the district. If elected he will be found fair and impartial in the discharge of his duties and will always be found standing foursquare upon the party platform.

Where the Money Comes From

An interesting story was related the other day illustrating the fact that many of the citizens are not well informed as to road laws.

Two farmers were leaving town on their way home and were natu-

rally talking about road matters, when one of them remarked to the other that he was opposed to the bond proposition, because the town people would get all the money and the country people would get no good from it. In order to enforce his argument, he said, "Now just look at that street. They are building a fine gravel street here in town, and we country people are paying for it." His friend at once informed him that the town people pay as much road tax as the country people, and in addition they pay a special tax to be used in keeping up their streets; that the law specially provided that no part of any road tax paid by residents of the towns, but that the part the town people pay must be used on the roads outside of the towns. The man who was first against the proposition then remarked, "I did not know it was that way, if that's the case I believe I am for it."

He might have been further informed that the incorporated towns of the county, the railroad companies, banks, telegraph and telephone companies and other corporations and non-resident tax payers pay on more than forty per cent of the property in Bollinger county. That all this money goes on the roads outside of the towns, and that the money is to be apportioned to the several townships in proportion to their assessed valuation. And that in order to help the smaller townships, the railroad and telegraph tax will be divided equally between the townships, each one getting one eighth of the amount.

Do you know how much money was available for road purposes in Bollinger county for the fiscal year 1915? It will no doubt open the eyes of many of our people to know that, as shown by the financial statement recently published, nearly thirteen thousand dollars in actual cash was available for road purposes. The actual amounts from

the several funds are as follows:
Special road and bridge fund, \$ 7776.13
10 Cent road tax, 3112.64
State road fund, 907.14
Automobile drag fund, 1500.00

\$12995.91

Adding to the above the poll tax, estimated at 1700 poll tax payers at \$6.00 each, \$10,200.00, we have a grand total of \$23,195.91. Pretty good sum, is it not? Are we getting full value for it? Why? Evidently it's the fault of the system, and not altogether the fault of the men who have to do with the spending of the money. It comes in dribs, is spread out and used in patching, and the next rain that comes along washes it away. Why not change our system, place the matter in the hands of a committee from every part of the county such as was appointed recently, let the work out by contract and build permanent roads? This is entirely too much money to continue to waste as it has been wasted in the past. Let's wake up!

Ed L. Aubuchon Dead

Ed L. Aubuchon died at Eldorado Springs, Mo., the morning of June 10, aged 56 years. He had been in poor health some time and finally gave up his work and went to Eldorado Springs a few weeks ago in the hope of being benefitted by the use of the water and rest, but it seems to have given very little, if any, relief. He leaves a widow, and daughter about 11 years old, who have the sympathies of a host of friends here.

Mr. Aubuchon was a citizen of Marble Hill a number of years, and was well known throughout the county, as he made a trip over most of it about every other week, representing a wholesale grocery business, and had many warm friends who will very much regret to learn of his departure.

He was a member of the Modern Woodmen camp at this place and carried a benefit certificate for \$2000. His remains were taken to Grenola, Kansas, for interment.

The Press feels that it has lost an-

other friend and extends its sincerest sympathies to the bereaved widow and little daughter.

Peter R. Conrad Passes Away At 83

Peter R. Conrad, one of our county's oldest and most highly respected citizens, passed to the great beyond at his home near Alliance the morning of June 11, aged about 83 years. He was stricken with paralysis some time ago and never recovered, and his death was not unexpected by his family and friends.

Squire Conrad was a prominent figure in the politics of Bollinger county for a number of years, several times the recipient of honors bestowed by his party. He was a conservative republican and no man was more honorable in his convictions than he.

He was almost a lifelong Presbyterian and loved his church and Christian people, and he showed his faith by his works, for he was a conscientious Christian. The writer considers himself fortunate in having

known him intimately and our associations will ever be among the most pleasant memories of life. The last month of our limited school book education was received at the hands of this good man, in the little old building in the north limits of Sedgewickville—torn down years ago—and it was there that we learned something of his love for his fellow-men, as well as his patient, Christian fortitude. Such men need no commendation from the pen of any man. That welcome applaud, "Well done thou good and faithful servant," is enough. This is not intended as an obituary, but a word of testimony to the worth of a truly good man. The Press offers condolence to the bereaved widow, sons and daughters.

Miss Bessie Cashion Weds Marble Hill Man

A quiet wedding took place at the home of the bride last Sunday, the Rev. H. A. Atherson of Idaho, Mo., officiating, when John Harry of Marble Hill, Mo., took as his bride Miss Bessie Cashion. The accomplished bride is a daughter of W. A. Cashion of near Longtown and ranks among the most highly respected young ladies in the county. The groom is a popular young man of Bollinger county. They will make their home at Cape Girardeau for the present. Their many friends wish the newly married couple a long life of happiness and success. —Perryville Sun.

Both of the happy couple are graduates of Will Mayfield College and have a host of friends here, who will congratulate and wish them a long, happy voyage.

On June 7 there had been issued 85,372 automobile licenses in Missouri. The average license is a little more than \$4.00 per car. So we see that the automobiles pay quite a little into the state treasury which is in turn apportioned to the different counties according to their mileage of intercounty seat roads.

Groceries

Flour, Meat and Lard,
Straw Matting,
fine line of Candy,
Rocking Chairs, Etc.

Try a glass of fountain Soda made of mineral well water.
Ice Cream every Friday at

J. H. WICECARVER'S
Restaurant

Sunday School Convention

Come to the Bollinger County Inter-Denominational Sunday School convention which is to be held at Glen Allen, Mo., Saturday and Sunday, June 17 and 18, 1916. Every Sunday school in the county is requested to send delegates to this meeting.

Mr. Sterling L. Williams, whose name appears in the following program is one of the state Sunday school workers. Hear him!

PROGRAM

Saturday morning
11:00 a. m. Registration of delegates.
11:15 " Praise service Rev. F. W. Mathews.
11:30 " "Getting Ready to Teach" Sterling L. Williams.
12:00 " Adjournment.
Saturday afternoon
2:00 p. m. Praise service J. M. Deck.
2:15 " The superintendent and his work H. A. Fulton.
2:35 " "Sunday School Aims" Sterling L. Williams.
3:05 " Hymn.
3:10 " "Teaching the Unpolished Truth" Prof. Vaughan.
3:40 " "Open Conference" Sterling L. Williams.
3:45 " Adjournment.
Saturday evening
7:30 p. m. Praise service Rev. J. C. Morgan.
7:45 " Appointment of committees President John H. Hardy.
7:55 " Hymn.
8:00 " "Winning and Training the Boy" Sterling L. Williams.

Sunday morning

9:00 a. m. Meeting of committees.
9:30 " Regular Sunday school.
10:30 " Praise service Lee Roy Crader.
10:40 " Report of committees.
10:50 " Election of officers.
11:10 " "A Square Deal" Sterling L. Williams.
12:00 " Adjournment.

Sunday afternoon

1:30 p. m. Praise service Elery Zimmerman.
1:40 " Plans for the coming year President John H. Hardy.
2:00 " Hymn.
2:05 " "Missions in the Sunday School" Miss Grace Sullivan.
2:25 " "The Local Field" Rev. George W. Graham.
2:45 " Hymn.
2:50 " "Out Into the Deep" Sterling L. Williams.
3:20 " Adjournment.

Ministers and Superintendents, you should attend the convention yourselves and urge your people to come.

The above figures are for the first five months of the year. The number for the entire season of 1915 was 64,602.

M. E. Church, South

Rev. C. E. Barker, Pastor.
Preaching at Hahn chapel Saturday night and Sunday at 11.

The meetings closed at Gravel Hill Sunday. Notwithstanding the rain Sunday there was almost a house full of people and plenty of dinner for all.

A series of meetings are in progress at Hickory Grove, which will continue until June 25. A Children's day program will be rendered on that day.

Baptist Church

Geo. W. Graham, Pastor.

On account of the heavy rain Sunday morning, and the church attendance being so light, it was thought best to postpone the celebration of the Lord's supper. This ordinance will be observed later.

At the evening hour Misses Grace Sullivan and Madge Ramsey, who are just from the Woman's Missionary Training school at Louisville, Kentucky, had charge of the service. Their description of the work being done by the school and their own personal experiences in various missions of the city was thrilling and inspiring. Both of them are forceful and entertaining speakers and we predict for them great success as missionaries in winning souls to the Master. They are full of zeal and consecration.

Despite the fact that a great number of our people expect to attend the County Sunday School convention at Glen Allen next Saturday and Sunday, the regular Sunday school and preaching services will be conducted Sunday for the benefit of those who will be unable to go to Glen Allen.

During the year 1915 Bollinger county got \$1500 from the state automobile drag fund. In 1916 she will get approximately \$2250, several miles having been added to our county seat highways. There is now on hand in the county treasury \$2741.35 to the credit of this fund. Some of the roads have drawn nothing, some have drawn all of their mileage, and others have drawn but a part of theirs. The money is being held up in some cases until the roads are put in the condition as required by law, before the money can be spent upon them. The county highway board when it was first appointed adopted a policy that every mile of road should receive its share of the money, which policy has been strictly lived up to. The law sets apart \$15.00 per mile per year for these intercounty seat roads, the money coming from the automobile license fund.

Trustee's Sale

By virtue of a deed of trust executed by Dennis W. Gregory and Mary Gregory, his wife, dated the 14th day of April, 1912, and recorded in book 98, at page 122, one of the land records of Bollinger county, Missouri, made to secure the payment of the certain promissory note therein described, which note is part of and assigned and whereof the terms of said deed of trust, together with a copy of the same, are on file in the office of the undersigned, Sheriff of Bollinger county, at Perryville, Missouri, and in the office of the undersigned, the undersigned, Sheriff of Bollinger county, at Perryville, Missouri, do hereby give notice that he will sell at public auction, to-wit:

1. The south half (1/2) of lot number one (1), and the northeast quarter of the south half (1/2) of lot number two (2), of the southwest quarter of section number fourteen (14), township number twenty-nine (29), range number eight (8), west, containing fifty acres more or less, S. P. PRUSSELL, Sheriff of Bollinger county, Mo., acting trustee.